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Sir:

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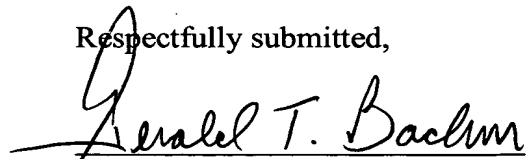
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Forberg et al.	4,171,857	October 23, 1979
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Forberg et al.	4,283,103	August 11, 1981
Ellis, Jr. et al.	3,798,587	March 19, 1974
Chishima et al.	5,820,404	October 13, 1998
Baggett et al.	5,816,854	October 6, 1998

The above-referenced documents are listed on Form PTO-1449. In conformance with the waiver of the copy requirement in 37 C.F.R. §1.98 for cited U.S. patents issued on August 5, 2003, no copies of the foregoing U.S. patents are enclosed. We have also enclosed a copy of the International Search Report from the corresponding PCT application for your information.

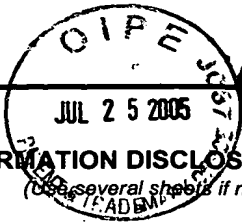
Applicants are not aware of any other references to be identified at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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